REMARKS

Claims 1 and 11 were amended to include editorial revisions.

The amendment to claim 6 is supported in the specification on page 8, line 17 and page 15, line 20.

New claim 16 includes the features of claims 11 and 14.

New claim 17 includes the features of claims 11, 12 and 14.

Claim 14 was objected to for the reason set forth in the first paragraph on page 2 of the Office Action as allegedly being of improper dependent form.

Dependent claim 14 was canceled and was replaced with new independent claims 16 and 17.

Claims 1 to 15 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 to 13 of USP 6,805,833 for the reasons stated in the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 of the Office Action.

Submitted concomitantly herewith is a TERMINAL DISCLAIMER which identifies USP 6,805,833.

Withdrawal of the double patenting rejection is therefore respectfully requested.

Reconsideration is requested. Allowance is solicited.

Enclosed is a check for \$200 in payment of one additional independent claim.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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